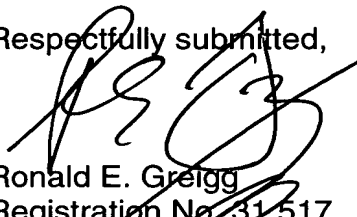


**REMARKS**

Claims 1-14 have been canceled. Claims 15-28 are now presently in the application. The above amendments are being made to place the application in better condition for examination.

Entry of the amendment is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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